

PRELUDE

Hans Peterson & Larry Olson



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: God of abundance, the land we walk on is holy ground.

Send forth your grace to help us heal the wounds of this world.

Open up the soil of our hearts to your word of life.

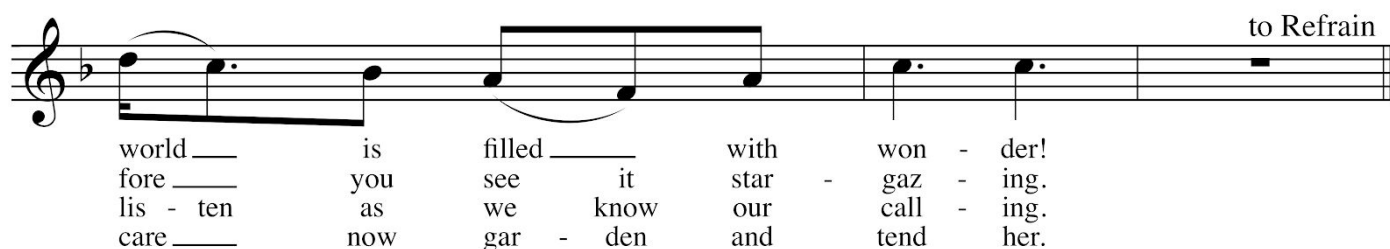
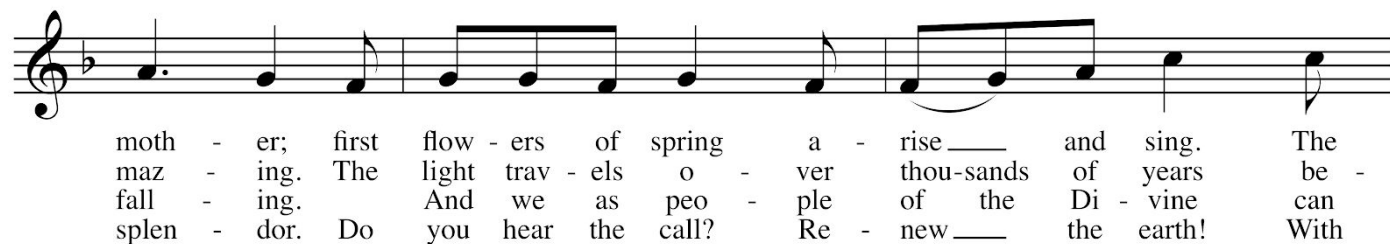
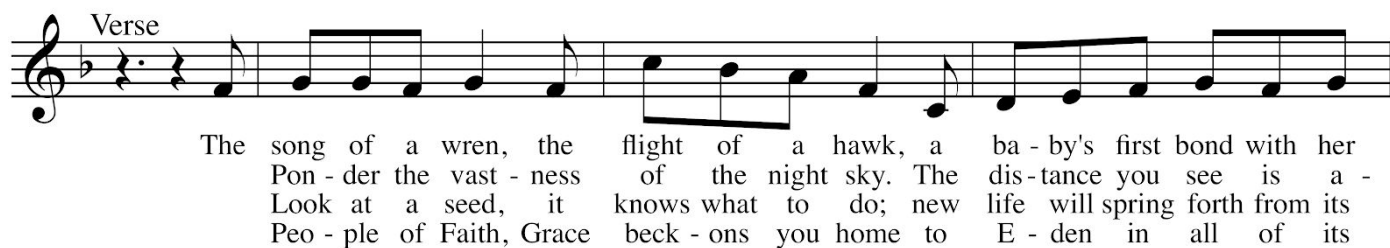
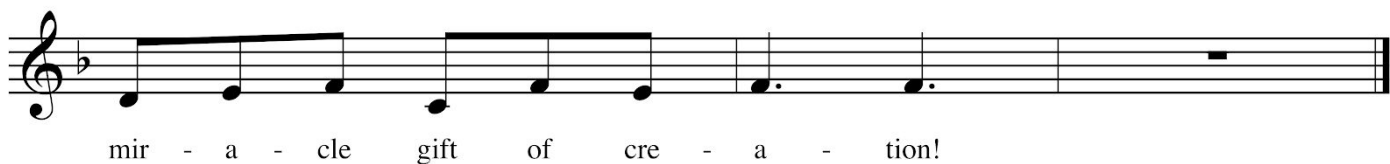
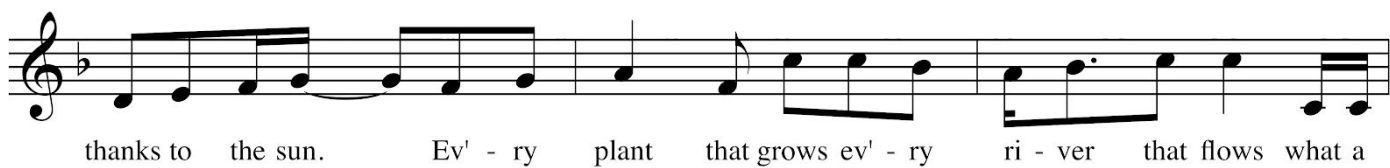
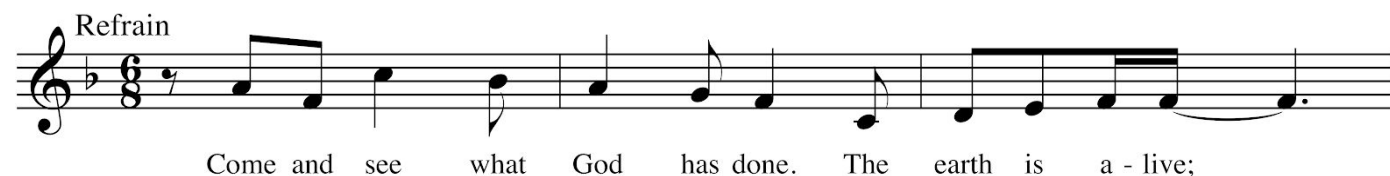
May we be strengthened by this time together and grow into who you are creating us to be.

MANY: AMEN

OPENING SONG

Come and See
verse 1 and 2

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CONFESSION

ONE: Sisters and brothers, we come to the God of mercy mindful that the creation upon which we all depend is suffering. The immense beauty surrounding us, the complex web of life supporting us has been broken by our hands. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

silence for reflection

Loving God, you have placed us as stewards within your creation. But we have poisoned the waters, exhausted the soils and polluted the air. By our own hand we have spoiled the life giving resources upon which we all depend.

As Jesus' disciples, we are called to feed the hungry, clothe the naked and tend to the sick. Instead, we take the wealth of the world into our own houses and leave your children in need. God of all life,

MANY: we confess our part in a broken world.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ONE: As surely as the rain comes forth to water the earth, God's mercy comes to us as a gift, abundant and freely given. The same God who created the cosmos and raised Jesus from death to life brings healing and forgiveness to the world today. You are loved, you are restored. In Christ, you are forgiven.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

SONG OF PRAISE

Praise to You
verse 3

Hans Peterson & Larry Olson

Refrain



Praise to you, O Great Cre - a - tor, Ma - ker of the land and sky.




Praise to you, O Liv - ing Wat - er, hope and breath of ev' - ry life.

Verse



We are lost and we are long-ing, wand'-ring in the wild - er - ness,
Hear the cries of all cre - a - tion, how the tears like ri - vers flow
May we live your way of jus-tice, may we walk your way of peace.



search - ing for your hol - y pres-ence and the rea - son we ex - ist.
for your touch of grace and heal - ing and the love that leads us home.
May we see your sac - red vi - sion, may we know your sweet re - lease.

to Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ONE: Let us pray. The eyes of all look to you, O God. Turn our hearts and minds to your open hand that provides for every living thing, so that we may know your generosity and participate in the healing and restoration of all that you have made, in Jesus' name we pray.

MANY: AMEN

SCRIPTURE

Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning ² until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³ After Jesus' suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴ While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." ⁹ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. ¹¹ They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

ONE: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Kjell M. Ferris



Since time be - gan, through cent - ur - ies God's
 A moth - ers womb, a brand new life God's
 Signs of hope, a voice of peace God's



love is ev - er - last - ing. To dis - tant un - known
 love is ev - er - last - ing. An emp - ty tomb, the
 love is ev - er - last - ing. The pro - phet's cry for



gal - ax - ies God's love is ev - er - last - ing.
 ri - sen Christ God's love is ev - er - last - ing.
 war to cease God's love is ev - er - last - ing. For the



Splen - dor springs forth 'cross the land God's
 Weep - ing may last and for the night God's
 down and out and high and proud God's



love is ev - er - last - ing. A - bun - dance, shar - ing
 love is ev - er - last - ing. But joy breaks forth with
 love is ev - er - last - ing. Come all you peo - ple



hand in hand God's love is ev - er - last - ing. Your
 morn - ing light God's love is ev - er - last - ing.
 shout out loud God's love is ev - er - last - ing.



love (your love) is last - ing, your love is ev - er - last - ing. Your



love (your love) is last - ing, your love is ev - er - last - ing.

APOSTLES' CREED

ONE: With the whole church, let us confess our faith in the Triune God.

MANY: **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.
 On the third day Christ rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. AMEN**

PRAYERS

ONE: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation...

silence

ONE: Come to our aid as the coronavirus spreads globally, heal those who are sick, and protect their families and friends from being infected. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: hear our prayer.

ONE: People all around the globe are giving of themselves on behalf of this world. Strengthen those in the medical profession and all who commit themselves to the work of ending this pandemic. Sustain all workers and business owners who suffer loss of livelihood due to shut-downs and closures. Lord in your mercy,

MANY: hear our prayer.

ONE: Holy Spirit, you work among us in ways we do not understand. We name before you, aloud and in our hearts, those we know who are in need of your healing and comfort ...

ONE: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

MANY: AMEN

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you always.

MANY: And also with you.

ONE: Let us share a sign of God's peace with one another.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER JESUS TAUGHT US

ONE: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us,

MANY: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. AMEN

WELCOME TO THE TABLE

HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION MUSIC

Healer

Larry Olson

Refrain

Heal - er, heal - er, come and
heal this world. Heal - er,
heal - er, come and heal this world.

Verse

May we all _____ of - fer up our hands. May we
May we all _____ lay our weap-ons down. May we
May we all _____ of - fer up our hands. May we
all, _____ all find all to - geth - er stand.
all, _____ all to - geth - er stand.
all, _____ all to - geth - er stand. to Refrain

COMMUNION BLESSING

SONG

Go Now with God
verses 1 and 4

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vs. 1 Filled — with the Ho - ly — Spir - it
 vs. 1 *Lleno del Es - pi - ri - tu — San - to*
 vs. 2 Of - fer - ing a hand — to a stran - ger
 vs. 3 Wa - ters of mer - cy have found us
 vs. 4 Cross-ing ev' - ry bound'-ry, ev' - ry na - tion

go now with God,
va - mos con Dios,



go now with God. In - to the world — as a serv - ant
va - mos con Dios. En-tran - do al mun - do pa - ra ser - vir
 Trust-ing in the ris - en — sav - ior
 Grace — on the jour - ney sur - rounds us
 Danc-ing in the gift of lib - er - a - tion



go now with God,
va - mos con Dios,

go now with God.
va - mos con Dios.

Go — now,
Va - mos,



go — now,
va - - - mos,

go — now with God.
va - mos con Dios.



Go — now,
Va - mos,

go — now,
va - mos,

go — now with God.
va - mos con Dios.

DISMISSAL

ONE: Go in Peace, serve the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Go Now with God

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